

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

**Routine Proceedings, pages S4459–S4550**

**Measures Introduced:** Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1109–1119, and S. Res. 149. **Pages S4477–78**

**Measures Passed:**

**Virginia Tech University Condolences:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 149, expressing the condolences of the Senate on the tragic events at Virginia Tech University. **Page S4550**

**Intelligence Authorization Act:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 372, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for the intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4463–70, S4471–74**

**Pending:**

Rockefeller/Bond Amendment No. 843, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4465–67**

Collins Amendment No. 847 (to Amendment No. 843), to reaffirm the constitutional and statutory protections accorded sealed domestic mail. **Pages S4467–70**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 41 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. 130), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S4471–72**

Subsequently, Reid motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on S. 372, was entered. **Page S4471**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 11 a.m., on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. **Page S4550**

**Medicare Prescription Drug Price Negotiation Act:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3, to amend part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide

for fair prescription drug prices for Medicare beneficiaries. **Page S4461**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, April 18, 2007. **Page S4461**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was withdrawn. **Page S4461**

**Court Security Improvement Act:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 378, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect judges, prosecutors, witnesses, victims, and their family members. **Pages S4470–71**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, April 18, 2007. **Page S4470**

Subsequently, the motion to proceed to the consideration of the bill was withdrawn. **Page S4470**

**Appointments:**

**U.S.-Russia Interparliamentary Group:** The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Section 154 of Public Law 108–199, appointed the following Senator as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the U.S.-Russia Interparliamentary Group conference during the 110th Congress: Senator Lott. **Page S4549**

**U.S.-Russia Interparliamentary Group:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Section 154 of Public Law 108–199, appointed the following Senator as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the U.S.-Russia Interparliamentary Group conference during the 110th Congress: Senator Nelson (NE). **Page S4549**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Dennis R. Schrader, of Maryland, to be Deputy Administrator for National Preparedness, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—130)	Pages S4471–72
<b>Adjournment:</b> Senate convened at 2 p.m., and adjourned at 6:47 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 17, 2007. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4550.)	

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### CARBON DIOXIDE STORAGE AND RESEARCH

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 731, to develop a methodology for, and complete, a national assessment of geological storage capacity for carbon dioxide, and S. 962, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize and improve the carbon capture and storage research, development, and demonstration program of the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Mark D. Myers, Director, United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Thomas D. Shope, Acting Assistant Secretary of Energy for Fossil Energy; George Guthrie, Program Director, Fossil Energy and Environment Programs, Los Alamos National Laboratory; and David G. Hawkins, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Kipp Coddington, Alston and Bird LLP, both of Washington, D.C.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 6 public bills, H.R. 1857–1862; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 111; and H. Res. 296–298 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages H3399–H3401

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1677, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to enhance taxpayer protections and outreach, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–84);

H.R. 362, to authorize science scholarships for educating mathematics and science teachers, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–85);

H.R. 1515, to amend the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to treat certain communities as metropolitan cities for purposes of the community development block grant program (H. Rept. 110–86);

H.R. 1681, to amend the Congressional Charter of The American National Red Cross to modernize its governance structure, to enhance the ability of the board of governors of The American National Red Cross to support the critical mission of The Amer-

ican National Red Cross in the 21st century, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–87); and

H.R. 1257, to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to provide shareholders with an advisory vote on executive compensation, with an amendment (H. Rept. 110–88).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Altmire to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

**Lieutenant Todd Jason Bryant Post Office Designation Act:** H.R. 988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5757 Tilton Avenue in Riverside, California, as the "Lieutenant Todd Jason Bryant Post Office";

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**Commemorating the 85th Anniversary of the founding of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA):** H. Con. Res. 71, to commemorate the 85th Anniversary of the founding of the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), a leading association for